

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled).
2. (Canceled).
3. (Canceled).
4. (Canceled).
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8. (Canceled).
9. (Canceled).
10. (Canceled).
11. (Canceled).
12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, further comprising the step of embedding at least one insert of a material harder than bone in the plastic material.

13. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 12, wherein the at least one insert is fully embedded in the plastic material.
14. (Canceled).
15. (Previously Presented) The rasp as recited in claim 21, wherein said rasp also comprises at least one insert of a material which is harder than bone, said at least one insert being at least partly embedded in said plastic material.
16. (Previously Presented) The rasp as defined in claim 15, wherein said at least one insert is fully embedded in said plastic material.
17. (Previously Presented) The rasp as defined in claim 15, wherein said at least one insert is a metal.
18. (Previously Presented) The rasp as defined in claim 16, wherein said at least one insert is a metal.
19. (Previously Presented) The rasp as defined in claim 21, wherein said rasp comprises a part of a shape memory material harder than said plastic material.
20. (Previously Presented) A method for manufacturing a rasp for removing a part of a bone from the bone, comprising the steps of:
providing a body having the shape of a rasp and comprising protrusions made of a plastic material which are to come into contact with the part of the bone and to rasp it from the bone when said rasp is used to remove the part of the bone; and

exposing said plastic material to β or γ rays, so that after this exposition, said plastic material is hard enough to remove the part of the bone from the bone when said rasp is used and wears out after a single use, and when said rasp is put into an autoclave at at least 137°C, said rasp deteriorates itself and cannot be used anymore.

21. (Currently Amended) A rasp for removing a part of a bone from the bone, comprising protrusions made of a plastic material which are to come into contact with the part of the bone and to rasp it from the bone, said plastic material being hard enough for the removal of hip or knee bone, and wherein said rasp wears out after a single use and when said rasp is put into an autoclave at at least 137°C, said rasp deteriorates itself and cannot be used anymore.
22. (Canceled).
23. (Canceled).
24. (Canceled).
25. (Previously Presented) The rasp as defined in claim 21, wherein said plastic material is exposed to β or γ rays.